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Marlene H. Dortch, Secretary
Federal Communications Commission
445 12th Street, S.W.
Washington, D.C. 20554

**Re: In the Matter of Petition of USTelecom for Forbearance Pursuant to
47 U.S.C. Section 160(c); WC Docket No. 18-141; Category 1**

Dear FCC,

Fusion DSL through copper meant that I could have high speed internet without any add-ons, at a more competitive cost. Competition is the underpinning that keeps costs at a rate that people not making a ton of money can actually pay - I have friends in other regions that only have a single provider and not only is their service terrible at a high cost, but they have to competition to switch to as recourse. I'm neither stuck paying more than I can afford nor am I wedded to AT&T or Comcast, and that's all because Fusion can currently rent the use of copper only from AT&T. AT&T is still obviously making money - they, again, have had record profits, so this isn't something that's hurting them, and it's obviously helping a large segment of the population.

One of the stated purposes of the FCC is to regulate the phone industries - this is a prime example of an area where the market needs the backing of regulation to keep a functioning capitalist structure balanced and accessible to those companies which are not a major conglomerates.

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